Claypool / Miami Community Meeting 6-19-2018

Meeting Start: 5:00 PM Meeting End: 5:50 PM

7 Residents attended

County: Supervisor Humphrey and Terry Links

Gila County:

- Supervisor Humphrey gave introductions.
- Supervisor Humphrey informed residents of the two rabies incidents in Globe, as well as the bobcat attack in Roosevelt. He reminded residents to vaccinate their pets, stay away from wildlife that seems to be acting strange or no afraid of humans. There was also a cow found dead, but it tested negative for rabies.
- Supervisor updated residents on the tonnage from the second Dollar Dump Day.
 Payson had 210 customers with 89.44 tons of trash. Globe had 381 customers with 195.18 tons of trash.
- Supervisor updated residents on the burned-out house located at 3613 E. Monroe Lane. The County has accepted a bid from DJ's to tear the house down.
- Supervisor updated residents on recent work done by Public Works in the Claypool / Miami area.
- Supervisor discussed the joint project between Bob Arthur, Tri-City Fire, Wild Land
 Fire Crew and Gila County to clean and brush the railroad easement behind Walmart.
- Supervisor detailed his meeting with the Board of the Central Heights Cemetery. The Board has contacted DOC to have inmate workers clean the Cemetery quarterly. In addition, Supervisor is going to speak to Bob Arthur and find out of the Wild Land Fire Crew can assist in cutting down the brush bordering the Cemetery on 4th Avenue.
- Supervisor discussed the feasibility of a Law Enforcement Academy at Gila Community College. Per Dean Cullen, they do not have the personnel, facilities or funding to make this feasible at this time.
- Supervisor handed out sign-up sheets for Everbridge, the County Emergency Notification System.
- Supervisor reminded residents that Legal Aid is now available to Gila County residents and gave out hand-outs.
- Supervisor was asked about the property tax increase that is being discussed by Tri-City Regional Sanitary Board. Supervisor discussed the USDA loan that TCRSD has verbal approval for. It is intended to start Phase one of the project. Supervisor will have more information for the next meeting as he is attending the property tax meeting being held June 27th at 5:15 PM at Tri-City Fire Department.

Mike Hill - Gila County Sheriff's Department

- Deputy Hill updated residents on current statistics. The Department has received a total of 1823 calls for service. In the Claypool area they have been called for 5 robberies, 6 assaults and 10 thefts.
- Deputy Hill said the peak time for the Department to receive calls is Friday and Saturday between 3 and 9 PM.

Open Discussion:

• Residents asked Deputy Hill if the meth problem has gotten better. Deputy Hill replied that although the meth problem has improved, heroin and cocaine have made a comeback. He stated he and other Deputies were seeing more black tar heroin and crack cocaine. He also let residents know of a new drug called "butter" or "ear wax". This drug is marijuana that has been processed to attain as much THC as possible. After processing, the THC has the consistency of butter. Normal marijuana has an approximate THC level of 17% and generally can't cause an overdose. "Butter" has a THC content of 90% and can cause overdose.

Meeting adjourned at 5:50 PM